(2) Is not selected for funding.

(b) If an applicant requests an explanation of the reason its application was not evaluated or selected, the Secretary provides that explanation.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1221e-3 and 3474) [57 FR 30338, July 8, 1992]

## § 75.219 Exceptions to the procedures under § 75.217.

The Secretary may select an application for funding without following the procedures in §75.217 if:

- (a) The objectives of the project cannot be achieved unless the Secretary makes the grant before the date grants can be made under the procedures in §75.217;
- (b)(1) The application was evaluated under the preceding competition of the program;

(2) The application rated high enough to deserve selection under §75.217; and

- (3) The application was not selected for funding because the application was mishandled by the Department; or
- (c) The Secretary receives an unsolicited application that meets the requirements of §75.222.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1221e-3 and 3474)

[45 FR 22497, Apr. 3, 1980. Redesignated at 45 FR 77368, Nov. 21, 1980, as amended at 52 FR 27804, July 24, 1987; 60 FR 12096, Mar. 3, 1995]

## § 75.220 Procedures the Department uses under § 75.219(a).

If the special circumstances of §75.219(a) appear to exist for an application, the Secretary uses the following procedures:

(a) The Secretary assembles a board to review the application.

(b) The board consists of:

- (1) A program officer of the program under which the applicant wants a grant;
- (2) An employee from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO) with responsibility for grant policy; and
- (3) A Department employee who is not a program officer of the program but who is qualified to evaluate the application.
- (c) The board reviews the application to decide if:
- (1) The special circumstances under §75.219(a) are satisfied;

- (2) The application rates high enough, based on the selection criteria, priorities, and other requirements that apply to the program, to deserve selection; and
- (3) Selection of the application will not have an adverse impact on the budget of the program.

(d) The board forwards the results of its review to the Secretary.

(e) If each of the conditions in paragraph (c) of this section is satisfied, the Secretary may select the application for funding.

(f) Even if the Secretary does not select the application for funding, the applicant may submit its application under the procedures in Subpart C of this part.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1221e-3 and 3474)

[45 FR 22497, Apr. 3, 1980. Redesignated at 45 FR 77368, Nov. 21, 1980, as amended at 45 FR 86297, Dec. 30, 1980; 64 FR 50391, Sept. 16, 1999]

## § 75.221 Procedures the Department uses under § 75.219(b).

If the special circumstances of §75.219(b) appear to exist for an application, the Secretary may select the application for funding if:

(a) The Secretary has documentary evidence that the special circumstances of §75.219(b) exist; and

(b) The Secretary has a statement that explains the circumstances of the mishandling.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1221e–3(a)(1) and 3474)

[45 FR 22497, Apr. 3, 1980. Redesignated at 45 FR 77368, Nov. 21, 1980, as amended at 52 FR 27804, July 24, 1987. Redesignated at 60 FR 12096, Mar. 3, 1995]

## § 75.222 Procedures the Department uses under § 75.219(c).

If the Secretary receives an unsolicited application, the Secretary may consider the application under the following procedures unless the Secretary has published a notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER stating that the program that would fund the application would not consider unsolicited applications:

(a)(1) The Secretary determines whether the application could be funded under a competition planned or conducted for the fiscal year under which funds would be used to fund the application.